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Part B for

SUBJECT

Artillery Practice Ranges
Collection & Keep Metal.

Artillery Practice Range - Collection of scrap metal?

25. From The Secy to the Govt of Bombay Revenue Dept No DF-272-43/Rev dated 12th Nov. 43 forwarding a copy of letter from the C.R with the Southern Army requesting that Govt be pleased to issue a Notification warning villagers that pieces of exploded shell are the property of the Defence Dept and should not be collected or removed except under the authority of the Shell Contractor.

Under the recent amendment to the Defence of India Rules, a Notified order is unnecessary even for declaring areas as Artillery Practice Range areas. As such a Notification for the purpose suggested seems unnecessary. Perhaps the D M Kolaba may be asked to put up Notices round about the range warning the villagers as desired. A reply may perhaps be sent to the Govt intimating that the D M Kolaba has been asked to take suitable action. Recently permission has been accorded for shell firing on the Ganesh Khind Artillery Practice Range. Such a copy may be sent to the D M Mysore also for necessary action. Subs for perusal and orders.

Rule 50 B.

CENSORSHIP 16/11/43 2994

We may be enough if the D.M's concerned notify in the usual manner. Copies may be sent to the D.M's for necessary action & report.

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Forbd with a draft to GOC & MS.

Sd L 17/11

RS 17/XI

26. Issues 1005-O/W d 18th Nov. 40 to GOC & MS 2016 1014/ar Mem C.R.

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27. From The DCRA Blon

MS C 2413/40-44 d 23rd Nov. 40 forwg copies of Notification issued by him.

The Scottish Army C.R.A's letter requests that steps be taken to issue a Notice covering the Kelso Artillery Practice Range in particular but also including any other area in which artillery firing takes place. The letter does not state definitely whether Messrs Kinghorn Ltd or the Shell Contractor for the Kelso area only or for all the areas in the Upper Block. The Blon & MS Notice refers to Messrs Kinghorn Ltd as the Shell Contractors forbd for perusal. The report of practice firing by the latter & MS will be awaited.

The Channel Islands omitted from this question by mistake.

RS 25/XI

L 25/11

28. From The DC Taunton

QC 1661/40 44 d 28th Nov. 40 stating that the instructions covering the Notices and that a Notice will be issued when necessity exists.

Forbd for perusal. The other DMs reports will be awaited

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RS 26/XI

32. From The D.M. Kenfig Hill

QC 564/40 d 29th Nov. 40 stating that for present there is no such Range in his Dist.

Forbd for perusal.

RS 11/12

L 11/12

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From The D M Mysore.

CD 371/43-44 d 11th Dec. 43 forg a copy of Notn issued by him in Gl Metals.

Subd for perusal

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From The D M Hassan.

LBS/41. 420-43 d 16th Dec. 43 Shortg with Nacang construction has been issued to Govt offices.

Subd for perusal.

21/12

Letter No. C.L.O. 71/43-44 Dt 1.1.44 from the D.C. Kolar, forwarding a report of the action taken re: Artillery practices — collection of scrap metal left in the Ranges.

Subd for perusal.

6.1.44.

W 20-43-25

No.DF.272 -43/Pol

1166/a.

From - The Secretary to the Hon'ble the Resident in Mysore.

To - The Chief Secretary to the Government of
His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore, Bangalore.

Bangalore, 12 November 1943.

Sir,

I am directed to forward a copy of a letter from the Civil Representative with the Southern Army No.T.39-7, dated the 5th November 1943.

2. The Hon'ble the Resident would be glad if the request of the military authorities could kindly be complied with and the action taken in this regard intimated to this Residency.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

Secretary to the Resident.

Letter from the Civil Representative with the Southern Army, C/O Adv. H.Q., B.P.O.11, No.T.39-7., dated 5th November 1943.

Artillery Practice Ranges - Collection of scrap metal.

The Brigadier, Royal Artillery, Southern Army has informed me that one of the Artillery Ranges used by the Southern Army is in Kolar area. The exploded shells which fall in the area during practices belong to the Defence Department and the Defence Department leases out the right to collect the shell pieces to a contractor. The contractor then makes his own arrangements to collect the pieces after the practice is over. Villagers are not entitled to pick up or appropriate the pieces. As the pieces will also consist of bits of copper from the driving bands and brass from the fuses, there is a considerable temptation for villagers to search for the pieces and take them away. I am asked by the Southern Army to address you so that the Mysore Government could be moved to issue a Notification covering the Kolar Artillery Practice Range in particular but also including any other area in which artillery firing takes place. The notification should warn villagers that pieces of exploded shell are the property of the Defence Department and should not be collected and moved except under the authority of the shell contractor. The name of the present sheel contractor is Kishori Lal.

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SUBJECT.....

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Section W

File No. 20-43.

Serial No. 26.

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To W. 1005–1013.

General and Revenue Secretariat

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artillery Practice Camps – Collection of Scrap Metal.

Sir,

I am directed to enclose herewith a copy of Reg letter d 12th Nov. 43 with its enclosure and to request you to notify in the respective areas in your Dt where such practice camps exist. ~~the Collectors of the letter from the C.R. Southern Army.~~ A report regarding letter by you as this office not for the information of

Memo No W. 1014 dated 18.11.43. 2 Chief Secretary Cys to C.R with a copy of Reg letter d 12th Nov. 43 with enclosure for information & action.

ate of issue..... 18.11.43.....

Signed by..... Mr. JKV.....

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warning the Villagers Vacant places occupied Should not be permitted by the Police Dept. & Should not be collected & removed except under the Authority of the Collector

List of enclosures.....

Copied by.....

Examined by.....

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No:Mily.C.2413/43-44.
Encl:One.

Office of the Deputy Commissioner,
Bangalore District,
Bangalore, Dated 23rd November '43.

From

Mahomed Ismail Sheriff, Esq., B.A.,
Deputy Commissioner,
Bangalore District.

To

V. Vedavyasacharya, Esq., B.A.,
Chief Secretary to the,
Government of Mysore,
Bangalore.

Sir,

Subject:- Artillery Practice Ranges -- Collection of Scrap metal -- Issues notification - regarding the .

With reference to your letter No.W.1005-1013/W. 20-43-26 dated the 18th instant on the above subject, I have the honor to state that I have issued a notification to-day under the Defence of India Rules, as desired in your letter warning the Villagers in the areas where Artillery Practice Ranges exist, that pieces of exploded Shell are the property of the Defence -- Department and should not be collected and moved except under the authority of the Shell Contractor, and sent copies of the notification to the Sub Division Officers and Amildars concerned for wide publicity in the areas where such practice exists. A copy of the notification is herein enclosed for favour of reference.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

Deputy Commissioner,
Bangalore District.

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No:

Office of the Deputy Commissioner,
Bangalore District,
Bangalore, Dated, 23rd November '43.

NOTIFICATION.

In exercise of the powers conferred on me under rule 81 (2) (a) of the Defence of India Rules as applied to Mysore, I, Mohamed Ismail Sheriff, Deputy - Commissioner, Bangalore District, hereby direct that pieces of exploded shell in the areas notified for field firing and Artillery Practice in Bangalore - District, which are the property of the Defence -- Department, should not be collected and moved except under the authority of Mr.Kishori Lal, the present Shell contractor.

If any person contravenes this order, he shall be punishable with imprisonment for a term which may extend to 3 years or with fine or both.

Deputy Commissioner,
Bangalore District.

akr/8.

W20-43-25.

Office of the District Magistrate,
Tumkur District.
Dated, Tumkur the 23rd November 1943.

No. J.C./60/43-44.

1301/W

To

The Chief Secretary

to Government, Bangalore.

Subject:- Artillery practice Ranges-
Collection of Scrap metal.

Sir,

With reference to your letter No.W.1005-1013/W. 20-43-26 dated 18th November 1943 on the above subject, I have the honour to state that the instructions conveyed in the above are noted and a notification will be issued as and when military firing takes place in any part of this District.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most Obedient Servant,

D. Meerbaum

District Magistrate,

M.J.M.

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No. J1.C.564/43.
ENCS.

OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT MAGISTRATE,
KADUR DISTRICT.

Dated Chikmagalur, 29th Novr.43.

FROM

The DISTRICT MAGISTRATE,
KADUR DISTRICT.

To

The CHIEF SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF
HIS HIGHNESS THE MAHARAJA OF MYSORE,
BANGALORE.

SIR,

Subject: Artillery practice Ranges collection of Scrap metal.

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With reference to your letter No.W.1005-1013/W. 20-43-26 dated 18-11-43, on the above, I have the honour to state that ~~th~~ at present there are no such Artillery practice Ranges existing in this District and necessary action will be taken whenever the Artiller Practices are arranged in this District.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

District Magistrate,
Kadur District.

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GOVERNMENT OF MYSORE. 1/1982 W

Office of the Deputy Commissioner,
Mysore District.

No. C.D.371/43-44. Dated 11-12- 1943.

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To

V. Vedavyasacharya, Esq., B.A.,
Chief Secretary to the
Government of Mysore,
Bangalore.

Sir,

Subject:- Artillery practice Ranges - Collection of scrap metal.

With reference to your letter No.W.1005-1013/W.20-43-26 dated 18-11-43, I have the honour to forward herewith a copy of Notification No.C.D.371/43-44 dated 8-12-43 issued by me, for favour of information.

I have the honour to be
Sir,
Your most obedient servant

District Magistrate,
Mysore District.

No.C.D.371/43-44.

Office of the District Magistrate,
Mysore District,
Dated, Mysore, 8th December 1943.

NOTIFICATION UNDER RULE 81 OF THE DEFENCE OF INDIA RULES AS APPLIED TO MYSORE.

It is hereby notified that in areas in Mysore District where Artillery practice Ranges exist, the exploded shells which fall in the area during practices belong to the Defance Department and the same should not be collected and moved by anybody except under the authority of the shell contractor.

Any person contravening the directions contained in this notification will render himself liable to punishment under the Defence of India Rules as applied to Mysore.

District Magistrate,
Mysore District.

No. 4907 Office of the District Magistrate,
Hassan District,
Dated (Camp) Halebid, the 16th Dec. 1943.

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From

The District Magistrate,
Hassan District.

To

The Chief Secretary to Govt. of Mysore,
Bangalore.

Sir,

With reference to your letter Nos.1005-1013/W 20-43-26 dated the 18th November 1943 regarding collection of scrap metal near Artillery practice ranges, I have the honor to state that necessary instructions have been issued to the local officers to widely publish the orders of Government. The District Organizer, National War Front has also been addressed in the matter.

I have the honor to be,
sir,
Your most obedient servant,

District Magistrate,
Hassan District.

W 20-43- 1644/W

No.C.L.O.74/43-44. Office of the Deputy Commissioner,
Kolar District,
Dated, Kolar the 1st January 1944.

To

The Chief Secretary to Government
of Mysore, Bangalore.

Subject:- Artillery practices - collection of scrap metal left in the Ranges.

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Sir,

"W" With reference to your letter No.W.1005/1013/W 20/43/26 dated 18/11/43 on the above subject, I have the honour to state that the villagers who come in contact with the range areas have been warned against the removal of scrap metal of the exploded shells from the range areas and the fact has been got widely published in all the affected parts by the local officers.

The Special Superintendent of Police, K.G.F., has also reported that such metal pieces are not now removed by others.

CHIEF SECRETARIAT WAR BRANCH 5 JAN 1944 GOVT. OF MYSORE

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

Deputy Commissioner,
Kolar District.

3/1/1944

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